Docket No.: 02-006 CON

## **REMARKS**

Claims 30-33, 35, 40, and 42 are allowed.

Claims 24, 25, 28, and 29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication No. 20040087839 (hereinafter "Raymond").

Claims 26 and 27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Raymond in view of Applicant's Admitted Prior Art (AAPA).

Applicant has cancelled claims 24-29.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and requests the Examiner to pass the application to issue.

Applicant has also amended claim 40 to correct minor grammatical errors (i.e., the deletion of an extraneous "and" and replacement of "the representation" with --the one or more representations-- to follow prior claim language). The amendments do not change the scope of the claim.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3906 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw. Applicant does not believe that an extension of time is necessary. However, if any extension of time is necessary, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension of time and authorizes the Office to charge Deposit Account No. 50-3906 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw for the appropriate extension of time fee.

Respectfully submitted, /Christopher S.L. Crawford/
Christopher S.L. Crawford, Reg. No. 51,586

Date: Nov. 30, 2007

Advanced Neuromodulation Systems, Inc. 6901 Preston Road Plano, Texas 75024 (972) 309-8006 chris.s.crawford@ans-medical.com